

College Completion Report

Results and Key Takeaways

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ABOUT THE REPORT



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RECENT COLLEGE GRADUATES

- ▶ What percentage of students **graduate on-time**?
- ▶ What percentage of students **graduate in extended-time**?
- ▶ **Are the rates improving** over time?



WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

- ▶ Completion rates help tell us whether students have the **resources, opportunities and support they need.**
- ▶ Achievement gaps point out **systemic failures that need to be addressed.**
- ▶ College outcomes have **an enormous and growing influence on Indiana's economic future.**

DATA USED

- ▶ Data comes from Indiana publics and National Student Clearinghouse
- ▶ Focuses on first-time, full-time students who sought a degree-seeking upon entering college
- ▶ **Focuses on 2019 graduates:**
 - ▶ **On-time** (same campus/same degree): Started in Fall 2015 (4yr) or Fall 2017 (2yr)
 - ▶ **Extended 6-year** (any campus/any degree): Started in Fall 2013

THE BIG PICTURE Is College Completion Improving in Indiana?



THE COMPLETION GAP What is the completion gap between students?

Completion Gap by Student Group	Indiana			National Average		
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Male	6.7%	6.7%	4.0%	16.0%	1.0%	2.7%
Female	22.4%	5.0%	6.7%	41.0%	1.0%	2.7%
White	12.7%	5.0%	3.0%	40.0%	9.7%	2.7%
Black	16.0%	8.0%	8.0%	22.0%	8.0%	2.7%
Hispanic	16.7%	16.7%	0.0%	22.0%	1.7%	0.0%
All Groups	2.7%	1.7%	6.7%	31.0%	1.7%	8.0%

DATA NOTES

For additional information please visit [www.in.gov/ica](#)

State Revenue: Indiana Department of Education, Indiana Department of Higher Education

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COHORT PROFILE* Of all students, what are the characteristics?

UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITIES (BLACK OR HISPANIC/LATINO)



- 12.4% WHITE, ASIAN & OTHER
- 12.4% HISPANIC/LATINO
- 12.4% BLACK

UNDERREPRESENTED STATUS (LOW INCOME OR FIRST-GENERATION STUDENT)



- 12.4% UNDER INCOME
- 12.4% OTHER LOW INCOME (FELL)
- 12.4% FIRST-GENERATION STUDENT

ADULT STUDENTS (AGE 25+)



- 12.4% UNDER 25 AT START
- 1.7% ADULTS 25 OR OLDER AT START

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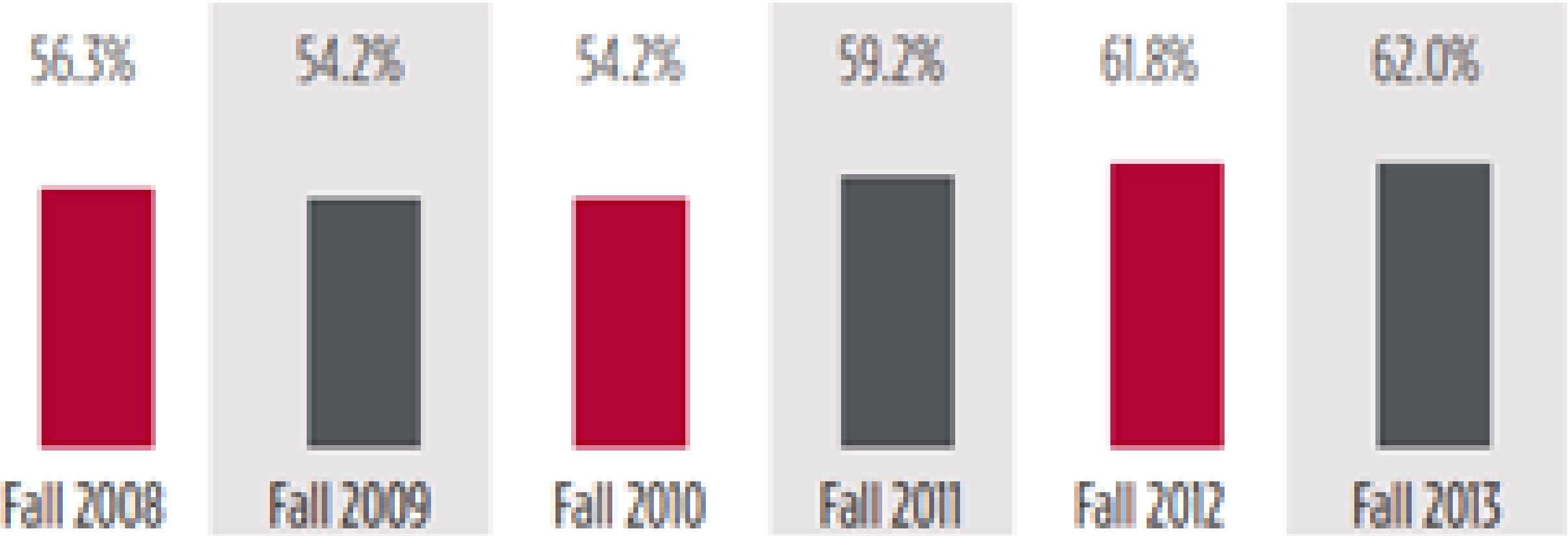
KEY TAKEAWAYS



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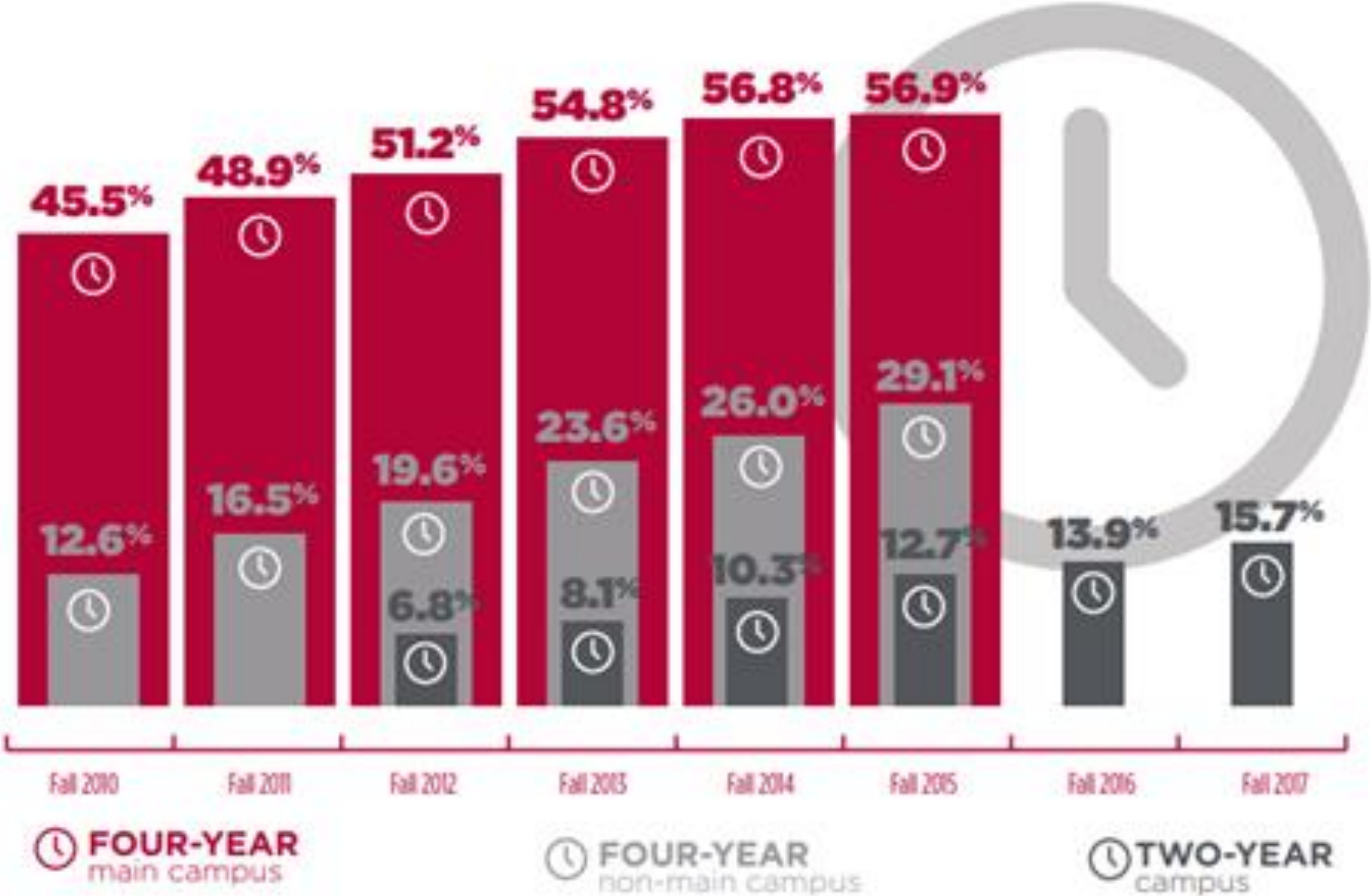
EXTENDED-TIME COMPLETION

Statewide Average



ON TIME COMPLETION

Same campus and degree level



STATEWIDE

- ▶ 42.3% graduated **on-time** (4 years or 2 years)
- ▶ 62.0% graduated in **extended time** (6 years)
- ▶ Leading indicator:
 - ▶ 79.2% of all students statewide come back for a **second year of college**



FOUR YEAR INSTITUTIONS

- ▶ 48.4% graduated **on-time** (4 years)
- ▶ 69.8% graduated in **extended time** (6 years)
- ▶ Leading indicator:
 - ▶ 84.2% of all students statewide come back for a **second year of college**



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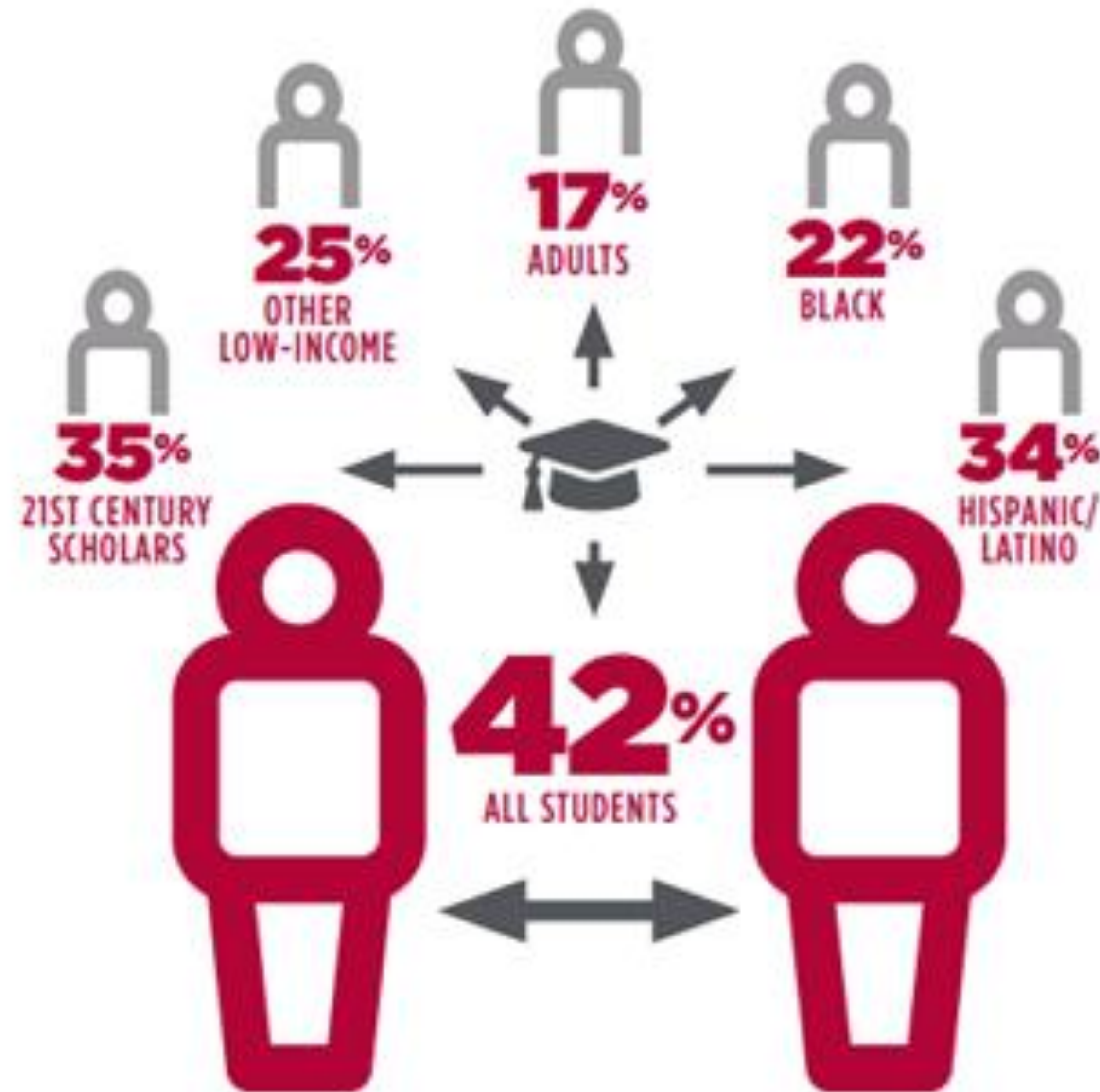
EQUITY GAPS



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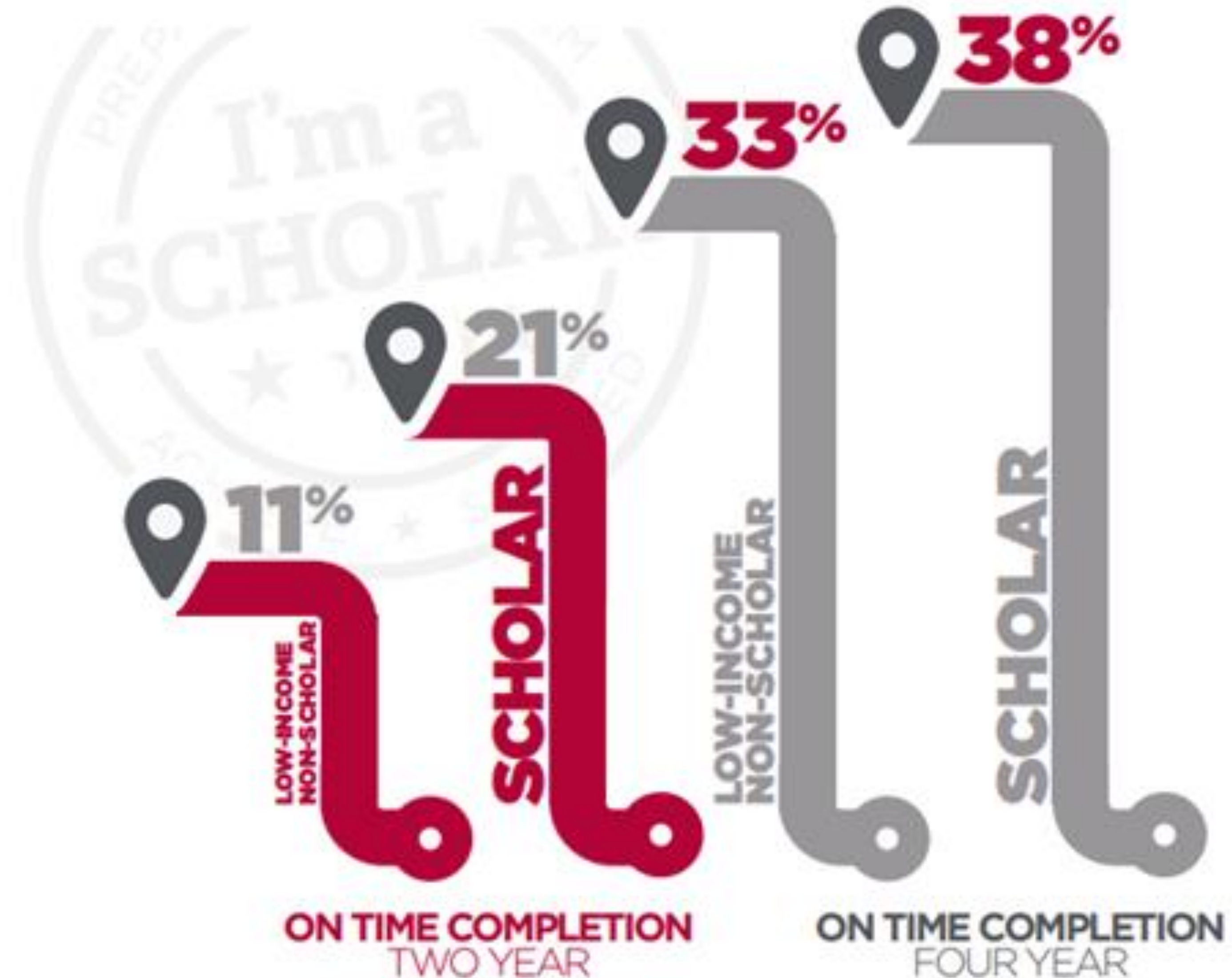
EQUITY GAPS

- ▶ Despite improving completion rates, gaps are growing
- ▶ This will be a focus of the upcoming 2020 Equity Report



SCHOLARS

- ▶ 21st Century Scholars outpace their low-income peers.
- ▶ Scholars' on-time and extended-time completion rates are improving faster than the average student's.



PART-TIME STUDENTS

- ▶ More likely to be **Low-Income**
- ▶ More likely to be **Black**
- ▶ More likely to be **Over Age 25 When Starting**
- ▶ 23.1% graduated in extended time (6 years)
- ▶ Leading indicator:
 - ▶ 44.7% of all students statewide come back for a second year of college



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IMPACT ON THE STATE



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THE IMPACT TO HOOSIERS

- ▶ **The longer college takes, the more it can cost** and the less likely it is the student will ever graduate.
- ▶ **There are 4,406 college graduates who wouldn't have earned a degree as quickly – if at all** – if Indiana's extended-time completion rates had been frozen the last five years.
- ▶ College graduates earn more and are **more likely to have jobs than can be done remotely.**



CONSUMER SPENDING AND TAX BASE

- ▶ Compared to someone with high school diploma...
 - ▶ **Associates earners add an extra \$251,447** to the economy over their lifetime
 - ▶ **Bachelor's earners add an extra \$700,443** to the economy over their lifetime
- ▶ Increases in Indiana's extended-time completion rate over the last five graduating classes could add **as much as \$1.8 billion to the U.S. economy** over the next several decades
 - ▶ Whatever the amount, Indiana can expect the lion's share since most graduates stay in Indiana

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